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25X1 1. [REDACTED] Accompanied the Director to a meeting of the Senate Armed Services CIA Subcommittee (with invitees). Mr. Helms was also a witness at this hearing on the recent allegations of Agency involvement in illegal domestic activities. It had been anticipated that this hearing would be in executive session followed by an open session but it turned out the entire meeting was executive. See Memorandum for the Record.

25X1 2. [REDACTED] Met with Pat Holt and Dick Moose of the ~~Senate Foreign Relations Committee~~ staff for preliminary discussions regarding procedures and other arrangements for the handling of the Director's reports to the Committee under the new requirement of Section 662 of the Foreign Assistance Act of 1961, as amended. See Memorandum for the Record.

25X1 3. [REDACTED] Met with Ed Braswell, Chief Counsel and Staff Director, Senate Armed Services Committee, at his request. He said Chairman John Stennis (D., Miss.) is planning to make a speech on the floor of the Senate (as he indicated he would in our meeting earlier in the day) on the absolute necessity for a Central Intelligence Agency and Braswell asked for any input we could give to this speech of important intelligence successes which would buttress the Chairman's position. On my return, I took this up with the Director who is preparing some material on this personally.

Braswell said he thought the Director's statement was a good one although it was somewhat long and not specific enough in certain areas. He cited as an example the fact that the statement did not indicate who ordered the establishment of the special counterintelligence program. He said the Committee would expect the Director to be more specific about this the next time he meets with them.

Braswell also asked about the sources and methods legislation. He said Chairman Stennis may reintroduce his bill to amend the National Security Act in the next few days and Braswell would like to have the latest version of this proposal. We are checking with OGC on this.

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